# 1: Chairpersons Report – Sam. P

May 25 – Aug 25

Since my last report I have personally been involved with the new AA Corrections Aust Book. I have been serving on the committee once a month.

I have constantly been in contact with my Area B committee members and want to thank them all for their service not only to their homegroups but to Area B.

I have contacted every GSR on our registrars list to check in and see how their homegroups are.

John our Area Delegate has been busy in promoting our 2025 Topics and I would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication to this.

I am very excited about some PI news, that Colleen and Tom will share in their reports.

Big thanks to Sue for helping me cover the secretary role, it's not such a heavy burden when the load is shared, the role really isn't that difficult once you are organised and knowledgeable.

I have had a change in email address because the old one was linked to a pervious Chairperson, I have created my own <u>wrarebchair2025@outlook.com</u>

Safeguarding is always on my radar as Area B Chairperson, and I will be discussing this later in the meeting.

We have a surplus of money that we would like to move onto help the newcomer find AA, pass onto GSO, and we are taking suggestions from the fellowship.

## 2: Registrar Report

Country meetings - 35 Metro meetings 61

**TOTAL** Individual meetings - 96

There is a small change from last time. The daily Telephone Meetings are now listed as Perth rather than South Perth, so our Metro meetings are reduced by seven.

# 3: PI Report - Colleen

### REMOTE COMMUNITIES PROFESIONAL LUNCHEON

This was a big project, and it was a pleasure to be a part of. We had our hopes set a little high at a goal of 20 guests, however we managed to get 10 professionals.

Our Luncheon was held at the Albany Public Library on Wednesday 25th June from 12-2pm. We had 4 members of A.A. there for the day, 3 committee members and a local A.A. member. I had a small sub-committee of 4 who helped me with contacting and inviting our guests. We invited approx. 140 professionals from Albany, Denmark & Mount Barker. We

only had 10 in attendance, but 5 drop-ins at last minute. (all of whom are now on our contact lists for future events)

#### We learnt that

- 3 of the 10 had no knowledge that A.A. was in Albany.
- 1 guest had tried to find help and couldn't find any contacts for A.A. (this issue has already been addressed and numbers provided)
- 1 was an alcoholic but hadn't really thought she should send her clients to A.A.
- Most just didn't have any idea what the program involved, so of course not knowing they wouldn't /couldn't really recommend the program.
- All in attendance said they would attend again if invited and would begin to recommend the program.
- 6 said they were interested in attending an A.A. meeting as a Friend of A.A.

Amongst the guests were a doctor, peer support workers, community development officers, prevention co-ordinators, homelessness support workers, a psychologist and councillors. They were all incredibly interested and were looking forward to reading the Big Book. Overall, it was a fabulous day with a positive array of feedback from the professionals in attendance. We look forward to setting up some more of these luncheons soon in more remote areas.

REGIONAL REMOTE COMMUNITIES' COORDINATOR (RRCC) Tenure 4 years The RRCC is a role within AA Australia responsible for developing, supporting and coordinating AA Activities within the Remote Communities Environment across the country. This role is focused specifically on developing unity and communication among regional service participants, and expanding services within remote communities, while promoting best practices in this space.

The RRCC is appointed by the National Remote coordinator, in consultation with the Trustee Services Committee.

I am happy to announce that I have successfully been appointed into this role. It will only enhance what I can do for the area in my role here as PI/PA

### ADVERTISING ON BUS SEATS.

Our Peel District PI (Tom O) has been busy and has found a fabulous company that is excited about doing business with AA. I am hoping to jump on this opportunity as well. Tom will be at the meeting to talk about this project.

### WANDOO EXPO

We have been invited to have a stall at the Wadoo Reintegration and Employment Expo on Thursday 23rd October. Sam P and Danielle have offered to go and represent for us. We will need to get a literature pack of related books/brochures to have on offer for the guests.

#### **ROTARY MEETING**

There has been some outside groups reaching out to Central Service Office looking for AA speakers. I have filled a few spots but am currently looking for someone to attend a Rotary Meeting on Tuesday 16th September for a breakfast meeting in Mt Pleasant/Applecross. They want someone to give a 20 min rundown on AA. Breakfast will be included.

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Thanks to everyone for your support, if you have any questions or suggestions please call or email me. I have reset up the PI/PA mail address <a href="mailto:areabpi25@gmail.com">areabpi25@gmail.com</a>

Yours in Service Area B PI/PA Colleen - 24/07/25

# 4: Prisons Reports.

## **Karnet Prison-Lee**

We are waiting on clearances for Jamie and Bryce. I have been chasing this up every couple of weeks with the Transitional Manager but have been told there is a process that needs to be followed and unfortunate for the time frame to get clearance but will happen. My own clearance took a while to get as well.

The meetings are growing in strength and numbers each month.

The annual Karnet Expo is coming up on September 25th 2025. I have secured two spots for myself and Jamie. The annual event is from 11am till 3pm. It's a great day out at the prison to potentially plant the seed.

**Wandoo Prison** – Expo Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> Sam and Danielle will attend.

## Melaluca Women's Prison -

Gillian has reached out to the TM for clearance forms submissions. Still no word as yet.

**Men's Prisons** – I have had a couple of requests for information and have passed on what I know.

## 5: Area Delegate report/update for 2nd August 2025

Area delegate report/update: The topics for the 2025 conference have been released. I sent a copy of the topics and voting form to sixty-one email addresses of groups in the area B district from Sue's Group Registry List. People who are not GSRs may receive it, and hopefully, this will encourage groups to have a group conscience and have their say, and hopefully, their GSR can send it back. We will see how many I get back. I sent out the email because Area B does not have a secretary and me (John), Sam and Sue are working together to cover it. As of 2 August, I have received three groups' voting forms (one being my own group-Spearwood ABC Steps Group), which is great as it is very early. There are still two months left to return group votes, so this leaves plenty of time to work through it and have a group conscience. It has been suggested by the conference that we have most/all the groups vote back by the end of September because this gives time for organising for the conference, which is around November. There are quite a few topics this year that being thirty-two, so I tried to get them out as early as I could so

groups and their members could go through them. A lot of the topics are quite straightforward. For some of the others, using all the links and watching the YouTube videos in the Topics is also helpful in finding information on them. The AA member website also gives further information on the topics in the topic's brochure, too (such as the article on why the second online virtual area has been proposed - Topic 33). The web address for the member's website is https://members.aa.org.au/ . We will have a discussion on it at the Area meeting this Saturday.

Service positions I have been asked to advertise: There are also some service positions coming up that delegates have been asked to advertise, and they are the following. I think technology is becoming increasingly important, so if anyone has skills related to these positions or you know any members, please pass on the information to them. Also, if you know anyone in the other regions, please pass this on to them.

Northern Region Trustee – Currently vacant - Apply now.
National Technology Coordinator Currently vacant - Apply now.
National Online Coordinator - Apply now.
Central Region Trustee – Available 01/01/2026 Apply now.
World Service Delegate – Available 01/01/2026 Apply now

For further details and details of other upcoming opportunities please visit the Board's (temporary) Service Opportunities Webpage.

https://sites.google.com/aa.org.au/serviceopportunities/home?pli=1

The Advisory Action Survey in response to Topic #015/2024: (the Conference passed a motion that the Board investigates the appetite, mechanisms and potential implementation of uniting the general service and central service structures in Australia to uphold our primary purpose' and that a working group be created to begin this process), has been closed and I will keep the Area informed about any outcomes or information regarding this whenever I hear about them in future discussions.

Key Conference Resolutions: Here is where you will find the key conference resolutions from 1964 to 2024. They are easy to find, as they go from oldest to newest in each heading/topic. It is quite interesting to read. <a href="https://members.aa.org.au/">https://members.aa.org.au/</a>

National Remote communities: Lastly, the national coordinator of remote communities wanted me to pass on a message of thanks to Area B, its districts and groups for their strong support, which allowed them to encourage the message of AA in remote communities. Thanks to Collen for keeping us up to date with information as well.

Anyway, I hope this information helps and thanks for allowing me to be of service.

Yours in fellowship, John R. Area B Delegate

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.

And for that, I am responsible.